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                             COMPONENTS AND COMPONENT FOR A GAS  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the following Amendments be made in the above-identified matter prior to examination thereof: